UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA CASE NO.: 1:22-CV-22671

DELIO BATISTA, CARLOS LOPEZ, MARIANA LOPEZ, andRAFAELA VALIENTE,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

AVANT ASSURANCE INC.,REINIER CORTES, and ANDREA GONZALEZ QUINTERO,

Defendants.

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, REINIER CORTES, being at least 18 years of age, hereby declare based on my personal knowledge:

- I. I am the President at Avant Assurance Inc.
- II. At all times relevant and material to this case, Mariana Lopez was engaged and involved with Avant Assurance Inc solely performing her duties as an independent contractor and before "open enrollment", from November 1st, 2021 July 11th, 2022. Mariana Lopez requested her individual status as a 1099, agreed to be paid via W-9, and on March 8th, 2022, requested that Avant pay her company Suprani Service LLC.
- III. At all times relevant and material to this case, Carlos Lopez was engaged and involved with Avant Assurance Inc solely performing his duties as an independent contractor from December 8th, 2021 June 16th, 2022. Carlos Lopez requested his individual status as a 1099, agreed to be paid via W-9, and on May 18th, 2022, requested that Avant pay his company Carlos Eduardo Lopez Alcala PA.
- IV. At all times relevant and material to this case, Rafaela Valiente was engaged and involved with Avant Assurance Inc solely performing her duties as an independent contractor and before "open enrollment", from November 1st, 2020 June 23rd, 2022. Rafaela Valiente requested her individual status as a 1099, agreed to be paid via W-9, and on March 4th, 2021, requested that Avant pay her company Valiente Insurance LLC.
- V. At all times relevant and material to this case, Delio Batista was engaged and involved

with Avant Assurance Inc solely performing his duties as an independent contractor from September 18th, 2020 – June 20th, 2022. Delio Batista requested his individual status as a 1099 and agreed to be paid via W-9.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May

19th, 2023.

SIGNATURE

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF Miami - Dade

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 19th day of May, 2023, by Jennifer A. Manjarres.

(Seal) Signature of Notary Public

Jennifer A. Manjarres Produced Identification:

Type of Identification: Florida Driver's License

JENNIFER A. MANJARRES Notary Public-State of Florida Commission # GG 916653 My Commission Expires October 03, 2023

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via CMF e-filing portal to attorney for Plaintiffs on May 19th, 2023.

> Respectfully submitted, CUETO LAW GROUP P.L.

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